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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Kouji MATSUSHIMA, et al.

Serial No.: 09/202,791

Filing Date: December 22, 1998

For: THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR ACUTE
LUNG INJURY RESULTING FROM
INDIRECT CAUSES COMPRISING
ANTI-IL-8 ANTIBODY AS ACTIVE
INGREDIENT

Examiner: Deborah K. Ware

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office action herein mailed July 2, 2002, setting a time for response to expire on October 2, 2002. A petition for an extension of time for (3) months until January 2, 2003 in which to respond is attached herewith along with the required fee. Claims 1-29 and 31-44 were rejected in the Office action. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendments and remarks are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Enclosed is Exhibit A, which is entitled "Marked Version of Amendments to the Claims."